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Charter of the Society.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.

Be it known that, whereas Abbott Lawrence, Mrs. J. Ellerton Lodge, R. E. Apthorp, Mrs. James K. Mills, A. A. Childs, Sarah W. Thorndike, Kate Gannett Wells, M. L. Putnam, Charles F. Shimmin, William S. Whitwell, L. J. B. Lincoln and Frederic Robbins have associated themselves with the intention of forming a corporation under the name of the Massachusetts Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children, for the purpose of awakening interest in the abuses to which children are exposed by the intemperance, cruelty or cupidity of parents and guardians, and to help the enforcement of existing laws on the subject, procure needed legislation, and for kindred work, and have complied with the provisions of the statutes of this Commonwealth in such case made and provided, as appears from the certificate of the President, Treasurer and Directors of said corporation duly approved by the Commissioner of Corporations and recorded in this office:—

Now, therefore, I, Henry B. Peirce, Secretary of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, do hereby certify that said Abbott Lawrence, Mrs. J. Ellerton Lodge, R. E. Apthorp, Mrs. James K. Mills, A. A. Childs, Sarah W. Thorndike, Kate Gannett Wells, M. L. Putnam, Charles F. Shimmin, William S. Whitwell, L. J. B. Lincoln and Frederic Robbins, their associates and successors, are legally organized and established as, and are hereby made, an existing corporation, under the name of the Massachusetts Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children, with the powers, rights and privileges, and subject to the limitations, duties and restrictions, which by law appertain thereto.

Witness my official signature herunto subscribed, and the seal of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts hereunto affixed, this twenty-third day of April, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and seventy-eight.

(Signed)

[SEAL]

HENRY B. PEIRCE,
Secretary of the Commonwealth.

Board of Government.

1892.

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Three hundred and seventy sub-agents throughout the State.

Treasurer's Report.

CHAS. F. ATKINSON, Treasurer, *in account with* THE MASSACHUSETTS
SOCIETY FOR THE PREVENTION OF CRUELTY TO CHILDREN.

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1891.

Received —

Balance from 1890,	\$181 60
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Bequests —

Estate of Mary E. Pearson,	\$100 00
“ Mrs. J. L. Roberts,	50 00
“ Mrs. James Tolman,	100 00
“ Albert Fellner,	500 00
“ J. H. Dix,	150 00
“ Mary Ann Wilson,	1,469 57
	2,369 57

Life members and benefactors,	\$550 00
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Donors, annual members and contributors,	4,678 58
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Interest,	1,755 18
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Miscellaneous receipts,	433 29
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Total income for the year,	7,417 05
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Invested funds withdrawn,	3,800 00
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\$13,768 22

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1891.

Paid —

Office, travelling, printing and general ex- penses,	\$2,325 46
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Rent of office,	505 50
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Salaries of general agent, sub-agents and clerks,	8,249 96
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Rent of home,	549 96
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Expenses of home, including salary of matron,	1,967 30
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Total expenses for the year,	\$13,598 18
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Balance in bank,	170 04
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\$13,768 22

E. & O. E.

C. F. ATKINSON, *Treasurer.*

Boston, Dec. 31, 1891.

Report of the Ladies' Home Committee.

Our "Home" moves on in the same regular way, offering a shelter to the cruelly treated, and showing the beauty of home life to those who have known only abuse or neglect.

Our matron, Miss Macomber, is tender and loving, and gives to each little one a watchful and sympathetic care.

Sometimes our children remain with us only a few days, giving no chance for permanent impressions; even under these circumstances, cases of insubordination are rare, each child falling into the necessary routine easily and happily. Some children we are obliged to keep for months, from the difficulty of obtaining suitable homes. These attend school, and help, as far as possible, in the house. From those whom we have placed in homes we hear good reports, and we try to show them that we are still interested in them and care to know about them.

The children have many little ailments, mostly caused by early neglect, and this year they have suffered from the influenza.

We wish to express our gratitude to Dr. Winn and Dr. Cobb for their generous gifts of time and care.

The children had a pleasant Christmas, through the kindness of many friends, and Miss Alice Kennedy gave them a very pretty Christmas tree, a supper, and gifts both useful and attractive.

We hope that all those who have so kindly remembered us in the past by gifts, or by sewing for us, will continue to do so in the future.

HARRIET L. PUTNAM.
MARGARET R. CHAPMAN.
HELEN B. HERFORD.
LUCY PARSONS.
MARY E. LEVERETT.
ELLEN M. TOWER.
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Report of the General Agent.

Our members and the public might naturally expect that after twelve years of effort we could report a decrease of our work and the necessity for it. But we cannot successfully meet this expectation, and while we have from one to two thousand cases each year, embracing four thousand children, the need is apparent. The demand is constant, the development continuous and the cases as sad as in previous years.

The more intimate knowledge the public have of our action, the confidence that confidential reports may be made, and an awakened public sentiment for the recognition of children's rights, — these alone would give us increased work; but the influx of the foreign population, who come among us with little knowledge of and little care for our customs and our laws, increases the burdens of the community and adds to the duties of this society.

If the causes are apparent, none the less it is our duty to strive for the relief of the distress, — not alone because the children are entitled to protection and rescue, but for the building up of a better community for coming years, by fitting the children to become better members of society when placed under influences promotive of industry, order and sobriety. This we feel we are doing when we remove children from the neglectful, criminal and debasing influences under which we find them.

It is a grateful work to rescue a child from the physical torture to which he is subjected by brutal and intemperate parents, but the greater good is to transfer him where he can breathe purer air and be surrounded by healthful moral influences.

FAMILIES BROKEN UP.

Criticism is sometimes made of our work because we take children from their parents. At first thought one would say the parent's home is the natural home for a child; but we contend that it is not so, when we show that it is an unfit home. The parent's grief at the loss of their children should not be considered to outweigh the children's welfare. The parent's rights are forfeited by their misconduct. A new and better home must be found and an adopted parent takes the place of the natural one; but it should be understood that we never take children from a home where honest poverty is the cause of the apparent neglect, but we resort to the courts when the neglect is wilful. If we can induce the parents, by argument or fear, to abandon their dissolute habits, we gladly give them an opportunity and a warning when there is hope of reform, presenting, as we do, the alternative of abandoning their intoxicants or losing their children. We often find the most effectual way to protect the children is to send one or both parents to some institution, under the dipsomania law or the law for the punishment of drunkenness. Where one parent is worthy we never remove the children, but, if possible, secure the removal of the unworthy one, leaving the children to be protected by other processes.

We regret to say that intemperance among women does not cease, and through that greater neglect of children ensues.

As we have said in previous reports, two-thirds of the cases reported originate in the use or abuse of intoxicating drinks.

THE COURTS.

It gratifies us very much to find that we have the sympathy of the magistrates when cases are brought before them. They readily see that we have no motive but the

good of the child, and while not unmindful of the parental rights, they take such action as the best interests of the child demands. In the majority of cases they suspend judgment for several months, placing the children in the temporary custody of others, giving to parents an opportunity by reformation to show themselves worthy to secure their children. We are obliged to say that in but few cases is this result attained.

One of the judges of the supreme court recently said, in a case of ours which had been appealed from the probate court: "If this had been an hundred years ago, when the parental right was deemed supreme, the child would have been restored to the parent, and so much the worse for the child. But we do not thus view the question now. We must first consider what is for the best interests of the child, and other considerations are secondary."

RESCUED CHILDREN DO NOT GRIEVE.

It would naturally be supposed that children taken from their homes and parents by our agents, strangers to them, would be unhappy. This is seldom the case, but they submit and seem glad at the transfer. Doubtless this submission is due in part to their familiarity with scenes of excitement and changes of surroundings, but largely, we believe, because they have little attachment to their own homes. This makes the work of rescue less painful.

BRUTALITY BY BLOWS, AND OTHER TORTURE.

While there is still too much of this crime, as the weapons we have collected testify, we have fewer cases reported than formerly. Of course such cruelty would be likely to be perpetrated in secret; but we believe the fear of the law, and, we hope, a conviction that such treatment is not curative, restrains many parents, and children escape much misery they would otherwise suffer.

NEGLECT IS CRUEL,

although no blows are struck. Sympathy is at once excited when a beating is witnessed; while we feel that the suffering is much greater, often, from neglect of needed clothing, food and shelter. These may be continued week after week, while a flagellation gives acute pain for a short time, but the wound soon heals. Both acts should be punished, but we make the distinction to induce people to realize that suffering is not confined to acts which are usually called cruelty.

DEFECTIVES.

Our efforts are demanded in behalf of blind, deaf and dumb, feeble-minded and diseased children, where continued suffering and neglect is increased by the ignorance or inhumanity of their parents. Fortunately there are institutions ready to receive such, but it often requires time and effort to overcome the opposition of parents, and to secure admission of the children.

OTHER WORK

is done in cases of guardianship and adoption, in watching baby-farms, the performances of children as acrobats, dancers, etc., in dime museums, and checking peddling by children, contrary to law.

THE NON-SUPPORT LAW

and its enforcement occupies much of our time. Many fathers find the gratification of their appetites a greater attraction than the happiness and welfare of their wives and children. The fear of the penalty of this law controls many; but we are constantly bringing men into court for this offence, and they are either committed to the House of Correction or placed on probation for a limited period, with an injunction to provide for their

families. We often accomplish this without court process, and many other cases are controlled by information given to the wives at the office, who hold the penalty over their husbands. If such men escape into other States the law does not reach them, but by the aid of kindred societies in those States we find them, and through fear of exposure and loss of their situation they are induced to remit aid to their families. In some cases a fine is imposed, and this, by the statute, may be paid to the family.

RUNAWAYS.

It is not strange, when we consider the unattractive homes in which many children dwell, that some voluntarily escape from them and seek a home among strangers. Boys and girls of this character fall into the hands of the police or kindly disposed persons, and are brought to us. Some of those may be called professional runaways, who are wanderers from choice. They become very expert in falsifying, and it is often with difficulty that the truth can be discovered, and much time is occupied with a single case. But the work ought to be done, for if unrestrained liberty is given such boys and girls, ruin is likely to follow. Some escape from and to other States, and we are called upon to seek out their homes and restore them, if the homes are suitable, or to place them elsewhere under the law. This work is done by correspondence with kindred societies in other States, of which there are now nearly two hundred in this country.

“FREAKS.”


This is another name for deformed men, women and children, who are exhibited at dime museums. The law that we secured in 1884 is limited to minors, and such we have been enabled to keep from the public eye. They make a disgusting exhibition at best, and, aside from the cruelty to the child, there are contingent evils from antenatal influences, which are apparent to thoughtful persons.

CHILD LIFE-INSURANCE.

We find in English reports that parents are charged with insuring the lives of their children, in order, by neglect, if by no worse crime, to destroy the child to secure the insurance. We have taken pains to inquire into this practice here, but have found no evidence of such intent, although many insure their children's lives, and use the proceeds, in case of death, to provide for funeral expenses.

COUNTRY TOWNS.

It is often said that cases needing investigation and action are mostly confined to cities, but we are compelled to say that some of the worst cases are found in remote country districts. Our agents in these towns, being unpaid except for special services, cannot be expected to search for cases, although usually ready to investigate when informed of them. We have one or more agents in every town in the State. The people in such localities often hesitate to report cases, fearing personal criticism, or a neighborhood excitement. If reported to us we notify the local agent, or send an office agent to assist or to act independently. Some town authorities, cognizant of cases needing action, delay reporting them, lest the cost of maintaining the children shall be charged to the town. They ought to see that it may prove an unwise economy, if the child becomes a criminal as well as dependent. And, surely, to put dollars against souls is a practice no humane man would approve. It is fair to say that the society receives little financial aid from inland towns.



LOSSES BY DEATH.

Death has made sad inroads upon our board of government during the year, by the removal of Josiah G. Abbott,

Philip L. Moen, Patrick T. Jackson, James Russell Lowell and Charles F. Shimmin, vice-presidents of the society, all of whom have held that office for ten years, and have favored us with the influence of their well-known and honored names. Mr. Shimmin was also an active member of the board of directors, regular in his attendance at the meetings of the board. Resolutions were adopted in view of his death, which commended "his never-failing interest, his ready helpfulness, and, what was a constant blessing, his hearty good spirits."



CO-OPERATION.

We are glad to report a kindly spirit of co-operation in our work by the police, associated charities, missionaries, truant officers and the officers of children's homes and charitable and humane organizations. We cannot better conclude this record than by quoting from our last report: —

MORE MEANS NEEDED.

If our prosperous citizens could realize that there are hundreds of children in this State who go to bed hungry, with insufficient clothing both day and night; in care of a drunken mother; trembling when they hear their cruel father's step upon the stair; beaten and cursed for no cause except the malignity of an intoxicated man, — if these truths were really pressed home upon the men and women of Massachusetts, our society would be richly endowed, and we should be able to accomplish more than our present means will justify.

FRANK B. FAY.

Rates of Membership.

EXTRACTS FROM THE CONSTITUTION.

“ART. III. The society shall consist of benefactors, life members, annual members, contributors and honorary members. Benefactors shall be those who pay one hundred dollars or more at one time to the society; life members, those who pay fifty dollars; annual members, those who pay five dollars per year; contributors, those who pay less than five dollars per year; and honorary members, those who may be elected such. Every member will receive an appropriate certificate of membership, signed by the treasurer and secretary.”

Memberships expire March 1. Remittances may be made to the treasurer, Chas. Follen Atkinson, Box 1338, Boston, or to the office of the Society, No. 1 Pemberton Square.

Form of Bequest.

FOR PERSONAL PROPERTY.

I give and bequeath to the Massachusetts Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children, incorporated in 1878, the sum of _____ dollars, to be applied to the uses of said corporation.

FOR REAL ESTATE.

I give and bequeath to the Massachusetts Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children, incorporated in 1878. the following property, to wit (*here insert description of the property*), together with the appurtenances thereto belonging, to have and to hold the same unto said corporation, its successors and assigns forever.

Gifts to the Home.

The thoughtfulness of those kind friends who send clothing, new and old, books, toys, fruit, delicacies, etc., to the home, is gratefully acknowledged by the home committee. The demand for clothing is constant, — boys' clothing and dresses for girls of fourteen and sixteen especially.

We have received donations from the following sources this year : —

Boston. — Mrs. Geo. Derby, Sewing Circle First Church, Arlington Street, Boston Sewing Circle, by Miss Loring, Mrs. Chas. Hemenway, King's Chapel Employment Society, Miss Atkinson, Miss Lucy Parsons, Mrs. C. E. Ware, Mrs. John Morrison, Miss Ida Noyes, Mrs. Beach, Home Guardian Society, New Jerusalem Church, Bowdoin Street, Mass. Bible Society, P. R. Club, Rev. D. W. Waldron.

Cambridge. — Mrs. Nichols, Beach children, Dana Street, Mrs. Rogers, Mrs. Geo. Putnam, Dana Hill Society, Miss Mabel Watson and others, First Church Sewing Circle, Mrs. Simmons, First Parish Church, Mrs. Geo. V. Leverett, Mrs. Johnson, Mrs. Bullard, Mrs. Milton, Mrs. Hall, Mrs. E. D. Watson, Miss Ethel Appleton, Mrs. Douglass through Dr. Cobb, Miss Abbie Coolidge, Mrs. Emily Coolidge, Sunday-school Class Third Congregational Church, by Miss Davis, Mrs. Beach, Mrs. McDonald.

Cambridgeport. — Mrs. and Miss Kennedy, Mr. W. E. Rose, Miss Murdock, Mr. Breems, Methodist Union Church, Baptist Church, Central Square, Miss Harris, Clinton Street Sewing Club, Mrs. Byram, King's Daughters by Mrs. Allen, Mrs. W. H. Emerson, Miss Caroline Close, St. Peter's Church, Mrs. Wyman, Ever Watchful Circle of King's Daughters, Miss Alice Dewar, Mrs. Miller, Infant Department Baptist Society, Baptist Central Square Social Society, Mrs. Shaw, Mrs. F. A. Allen, Cambridgeport Flower Mission, Mrs. Harding, in memory of

little Edgar, Miss Mabel Cotton, Miss Woodbury, Cotton children, Miss Marion Alley, Miss Carrie Harlow, Mrs. Goodenough, Miss I. J. Smart.

Chelsea. — Mrs. Sibyl M. Hunt, Frank B. Fay.

Everett. — F. E. Dyer, Mrs. G. W. Whitmore.

Jamaica Plain. — Mrs. Wm. P. Atkinson, Miss Atkinson, Mr. C. F. Atkinson, Mrs. E. D. Hall.

Burlington. — Ladies' Benevolent Society.

Longwood. — Mrs. Geo. Atkinson.

Roxbury. — Mrs. J. M. Jeffrey.

Somerville. — Mrs. Johnson, Day Street.

Wakefield. — Baptist Sunday-school.

And other unknown donors.

Statistics.

Our records show that from 1880 to 1886 inclusive, we investigated an average of 780 new cases, *each year*, involving 1,765 children. If we include the old cases reinvestigated it would add about half as many more. From 1887 to 1890, including the old cases reinvestigated, we find 1,612 cases, involving 4,150 children each year.

Of these, by average, 1,768 had intemperate fathers; 1,114 had intemperate mothers; 475 had no fathers; 593 no mothers; 413 had a parent in prison; 108 were illegitimate.

An average of 883 were placed in homes, institutions or families. We had 300 cases in court each year.

1891.

New cases,	1,261
Number of children involved,	3,002
Old cases reinvestigated,	568
Number of children involved,	1,767
Total number of children under investigation in the year,	4,769
Number of children having intemperate fathers,	2,218
“ “ “ “ mothers,	1,497
“ “ “ no fathers,	667
“ “ “ no mothers,	860
“ “ “ a parent in prison,	610
“ “ illegitimate,	145
“ “ placed in homes, institutions and families,	1,155
Cases in court for neglect, non-support, guardianship, etc.,	466
Cases out of Boston, 592 (included in above), involving	1,364

Specimen Cases.

We find it difficult to select the cases for this page. No pen picture will give a fair view of them. It would need a photograph to properly illustrate them. The atmosphere of the homes; the sad and debased faces of the inmates; the rags and filth; the anxiety and wonder of the children, cannot be depicted by a written description. There is too much stereotyped character to the record to make it interesting or instructive. It will be noticed that there is an absence of brutality by blows, and we are glad to be able to make such a record. We follow our former custom of using numbers instead of names, to avoid identification.

11700. Three children, thirteen to two. Father intemperate. Mother and the daughter thirteen intemperate and immoral. Mother sent to House of Industry. Girl badly diseased. Boy three smoked a pipe and drank beer. One of the worst cases ever in court. Children committed to care of the State.

11474. Two children, four and two. Mother intemperate and immoral. Has been in prison for drunkenness. House a bad resort. An infant found dead while mother was drunk. Children placed in a good family. Father pays board.

11709. Four children, from fifteen years to five months, by three separate fathers. All the parents intemperate and immoral. Two older children by first husband. Parents separated without divorce, each taking another companion. Wife has an illegitimate son now ten years old. She has married again and has a child five months old. The first husband still resorts there. We placed the girl fifteen in a home. Girl thirteen and boy ten taken as neglected, and committed to Marcella Street Home. The infant is with its mother.

11477. Seven children, fourteen to four. Parents intemperate. Children allowed in the street at unreasonable hours, begging and peddling, and are sent for liquor. On probation.

11501. Four children, nine to two. Father dead. Mother intemperate and broken down from drink. Five hundred dollars left by the father spent in nine months. She took the pledge and broke it within an hour. Three children placed in a home.

11725. Father a fisherman; is intemperate and ugly. Beat his wife. She died. Children sadly neglected. Committed to a home.

11430. Eight children, from fifteen years to six months. Parents intemperate and quarrelsome. Both sent to House of Industry for thirty days. Five children neglected. Sent to a home. A few months later father again in court for drunkenness, and sent to House of Industry for three months.

9997. Eight children, eighteen to one. Parents intemperate. Father works but little. Four younger children in court as neglected, and committed to the Commissioners of Public Institutions.

9917. Four children, fourteen to four. Parents intemperate. Two filthy rooms and beds. No bed clothing. Found seven men and women drinking in the house. Three younger children in court as neglected. They were ragged, filthy and hungry. Committed to Commissioners of Public Institutions.

9612. Old case re-investigated. Parents intemperate. Mother lewd. House a resort for drunken men and women. House and beds filthy. Four children, thirteen to three, taught to steal. Taken as neglected, and committed. Father escaped to avoid arrest for non-support.

11602. Mother tried to kill her illegitimate child at its birth by throwing into water closet, from which it was rescued alive. She was arrested and sent to prison with the child.

List of Members.

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Beech, Mrs. Herbert	"	Bryant, John	"
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Boydén, Miss Anna L. . . .	Newton.	Burnham, John A.	Boston.
Brewer, Miss Caroline S. . .	Boston.	Burnham, Mrs. Jane D. . . .	"

* Deceased.

Burnham, Miss Maria D. . . Boston.	Higginson, Mrs. H. L. . . Boston.
Burnham, Wm. A. "	Holden, Mrs. George "
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